

# Around Town

with Gene DeForrest

## PENINSULA—MARIN—EAST BAY

A group headed by Stanford graduate has purchased the well-known L'Amalthee restaurant and bistro in Palo Alto. L'Amalthee, which started as a hamburger stand in 1952, developed into a nationally-known French restaurant. Over the years it has been a traditional gathering place of Stanford students, faculty, alumni and friends. Bob Burnett, former Stanford coach and well-known restaurateur, will manage the operation . . .

The new Meat Block Restaurant opens soon in the Bayline Plaza Shopping Center in Daly City — a new idea in restaurants. The prices for dinners will be in the range anyone can afford; open seven nights a week; free parking . . .

Overnight guests at Tiburon Lodge can have their Tiburon Ferry tickets validated at the Lodge. One of Marin's most beautiful vacation spots, with good food, pianobar and heated swimming pool.

Al Williams of the Papagayo Room in Pacifica will be riding on a special designed silver Charro saddle in the Columbus Day Parade in San Francisco, October 11.

Scotty Campbell's Restaurant in Redwood City has added to its fabulous collection several hundred antiques from Europe. Just browse around — there is always something new to see.

The Hide-away night club in Potrero provides dancing, entertainment, poker and pool.

Breathing violinist Johnny Vidor joins pianist Maurice Anger at the Hotel des French Corner Restaurant in providing romantic background music every Friday and Saturday nights.

Open for both luncheon and dinner every day except Sunday, Atherton's plush Côte D'Azur restaurant is always packed with people who know that courting is their watchword, and everything listed on the menu is the best.

Cherry Wainer, attractive Hammond organ stylist, and her percussionist, Don Storer, entertain for dancing in the Bon Vivant supper club of the Cabana Hyatt House, Palo Alto. The duo have made many cabaret appearances in Germany, Australia, Spain, Switzerland and Italy. In Holland they appeared in their own television series. Their repertoire includes contemporary selections, ranging from Beethoven to French songs.

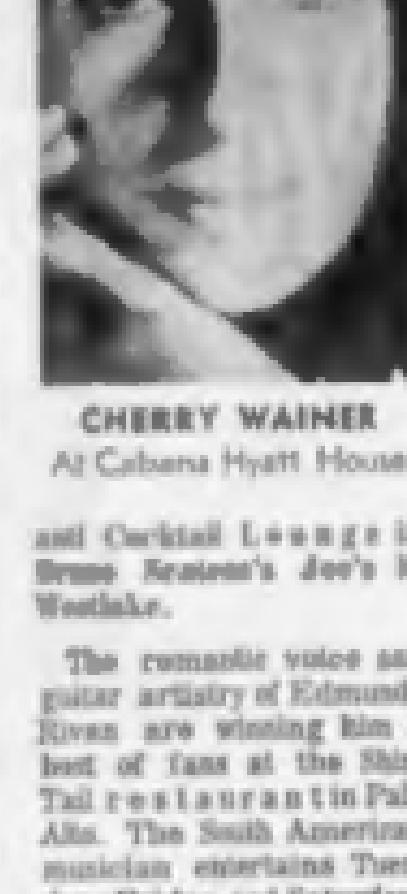
The Giants' Busters continue to meet at Rubin's the first and third Wednesday of each month, with numerous top sports figures being present.

At Ravenna's restaurant in Emeryville, the San Francisco favorite is a large bowl of steamed clams cooked to order, fried salad with four different kinds of lettuce, onions, tomatoes, marinated beans and young onion. Another favorite is home-made cannelloni.

The Palais in Mill Valley is a delightful place to have lunch and dinner. Excellent displays of paintings by popular artists and good food and service.

Unusual dinner treats in the indoor dining room at Sam's in Tiburon: Sam's Whisky Beef (steak strips flambe) is a secret recipe sauce, covered with a good whisky; and Veal Champs-

agneau. Sam's Howard is the popular pianist at the Chi-



CHERRY WAINER  
At Cabana Hyatt House

and Orchid Lounge in Bruce Keenan's Joe's in Westlake.

The romantic voice and guitar artistry of Edmunds Rivas are winning him a host of fans at the Shirt Tail restaurant in Palo Alto. The South American musician entertains Tuesday, Friday and Saturday. He plays pop, light classics and Latin tunes. George and Gail Mirabel sing and play the piano on Mondays.

Try a really light and delectable souffle at L'Amberge in Atherton. Louis Pruzchi, maître d', prepares a Grand Marnier or Chocolate Souffle, a good finish to a superb French dinner.

Solomon Grundy's Berkeley Marina restaurant is beautifully designed, intimate and yet roomy. Cocktail lounge has a magnificent view. A favorite dining spot, with plenty of parking space available.

A real gypsy entertains you with violin music when you dine in any of the 10 dining rooms at the Villa Chalet in San Mateo. Arpad D'Zarko, the last of the Gypsy violinists, plays your requests as he moves among the tables. Later he and George Nyiszter, his pianist partner, entertain at the pianobar.

Holiday parties are being booked rapidly at Bertoldi's in South San Francisco. Their handsome Mediterranean Room accommodates up to 100. For smaller groups, 10 to 20, there's the Wine Room. The famous Italian-French restaurant is available for wedding receptions and private parties Saturday afternoons.

Excellence in dining at the Velvet Turtle in Menlo Park, open 7 days a week.

Roger Cooper, the exciting new keyboard artist who entertains Tuesdays through Saturdays at Prime Rib Inn in Palo Alto, was formerly lead singer with "Saturday's Children," an ABC-Paramount recording group that headlined in top local night spots and made several network TV appearances.